

5. Else up with celestial splendour,
 thou who art
 radiant with great and present lustre,
 who art
 Trorthily worshipped and glorified,
 Varga x. 6. Proceed, AGNI, with pious praises,
 offering in
 due ordelr the oblations (to the gods),
 for thou art
 their messenger, the bearer of oblations.
7. I invoke for you, (Vorshippers),
 AQNI, the
 ancient ministrant priest of men ; I praise him
 with
 this hymn, I glorify him for you.
8. (Worship him who is) of wondrous
 works,
 who, gladdened (by offerings), is present
 like a
 friend, whom (the priests) by their sacrifices,
 ac-
 cording to their power, render propitious to
 the
 worshipper.
9. Pious worshippers, at the place of
 offerings
 adore¹ with praise him who is gratified by
 worship,
 the completer of the sacrifice.
10. Let our sacrificcrs,* prepared (with
 their im-
 plements), present themselves before
 the chief of
 the *AngirasUs*^ who is the most
 renowned offerer of
 oblations amongst men.
- Varga xi. 11. These thy vast blazing flames,
 undecaying
 i, are most powerful^ vigorous as
 horses.

¹ The text has *ji&jushuh*, "they have adored;"
 but the
 scholiast renders it *itpdwvadhaw*, expressly
 stating that the

first (the third) person is here put for the second,
madhyamapu-

*-Or "sacrifices," *yajndh*.